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SUBJECT: GENSCHER REPORTS TO BUNDESTAG ON DUBLIN SUMMIT

SUMMARY: GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION WELCOMED ARRANGEMENTS WORKED OUT FOR THE BRITISH. THE CDU/CSU CRITICIZED "UNDUE HASTE" OF EC NINE TO CONCLUDE CSCE.
END SUMMARY

1. FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHE TOLD THE BUNDESTAG MARCH 12 ON HIS RETURN FROM DUBLIN THAT "SATISFACTORY SOLUTIONS" HAD BEEN FOUND TO THE EC FINANCING AND NEW ZEALAND BUTTER PROBLEMS WHICH SHOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE BRITISH "TO SAY YES TO EUROPE." GENSCHE
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ESPECIALLY NOTED THE POSITIVE ROLE PLAYED BY SCHMIDT IN

SUGGESTING SOLUTIONS TO THESE TWO ISSUES AND ALSO GAVE SCHMIDT CREDIT FOR THE IDEA OF ESTABLISHING AN EC COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON ENERGY POLICY. GENSCHER ALSO EMPHASIZED "THE INITIATIVE OF FRENCH PRESIDENT Giscard" ON THE EC FINANCING QUESTION "WHICH FINALLY MADE THE AGREEMENT POSSIBLE."

2. ON CSCE, GENSCHER NOTED THAT "ON CERTAIN ESSENTIAL POINTS COMPROMISES ARE NOT YET IN SIGHT," ESPECIALLY CONCERNING CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES IN THE MILITARY AREA. "HOWEVER, SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE, WHICH HAS LED THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL IN DUBLIN TO EXPRESS ITSELF IN FAVOR OF A CONCLUSION OF THE WORK IN GENEVA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. PROGRESS HAS ALSO BEEN MADE ON THOSE THEMES WHICH ARE IMPORTANT TO THE FRG."

3. IN CONCLUSION, GENSCHER PRAISED THIS TYPE OF MEETING OF EC FOREIGN MINISTERS AND HEADS OF GOVERNMENT. THE "EUROPEAN COUNCIL" HE SAID, HAS WITHSTOOD ITS BAPTISM OF FIRE AND "IS AN INSTRUMENT WHICH CAN GIVE POWERFUL IMPULSES TOWARD GREATER EUROPEAN UNITY."

4. THE OPPOSITION (AMREHN-CDU) JOINED IN WELCOMING THE AGREEMENTS REACHED TO ACCOMMODATE THE UK, BUT ADDED THAT "THE EC MUST NEVER AGAIN BE PUT TO THE TYPE OF TEST WHICH THE METHODS OF THE WILSON LABOR GOVERNMENT HAVE FORCED UPON IT." AMREHN CENTERED HIS REMARKS ON THE DUBLIN STATEMENT ABOUT CSCE, EXPRESSING "SURPRISE AND CONCERN" THAT THE FRG AND ITS EC PARTNERS ARE LOOKING TOWARD AN EARLY CONCLUSION OF THE CONFERENCE. IN THE OPINION OF THE OPPOSITION, "THERE HAVE BEEN NO RESULTS TO JUSTIFY A DECISION NOW ON THE TIMING AND LEVEL OF A CONCLUDING CONFERENCE."

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